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SUBJECT: KEY ISSUES AT 29TH UNGA

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1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED UPCOMING UNGA WITH ILJA HULINSKY, HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS, MFA. HULINSKY, WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM UNGA CONSULTATIONS IN HAVANA, SERVED AS FIRST SECRETARY AT CZECH MISSION TO UN FROM 1967 TO 1971 AND AS CONSELOR FROM 1971 TO 1973. HE EXPECTS A GENERALLY POSITIVE ATMOSPHERE TO PREVAIL AT THIS SESSION, REFLECTING PROGRESS TOWARDS DETENTE. HULINSKY'S COMMENTS ON VARIOUS SPECIFIC ISSUES FOLLOW.

2. PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES: CSSR SHARES US SATISFACTION AT PORTUGAL'S DECISION TO OFFER INDEPENDENCE TO AFRICAN TERRITORIES, AND AGREES THAT PORTUGUESE TASK SHOULD NOT BE COMPLICATED BY HORTATORY RESOLUTIONS. WHILE RESOLUTIONS ON OTHER SOUTHERN AFRICAN ISSUES MAY NOT DIFFER GREATLY FROM THOSE OF PREVIOUS YEARS, EVENTS IN PORTUGAL WILL OBVIOUSLY INFLUENCE GENERAL ATMOSPHERE OF CONSIDERATION OF THOSE ISSUES.

3. STREAMROLLER TACTICS: CZECHOSLOVAKIA SHARES OUR CONCERN AT GROWING TENDENCY OF NUMERICAL MAJORITY IN UN TO ESCHUEW CON-

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SULTATIONS AND TO PUSH THROUGH RESOLUTIONS WHICH ARE DIVORCED

FROM REALITY. HE DOES NOT FORSEE, HOWEVER, ANY LESSENING OF THIS TENDENCY AND FEELS IT IS SOMETHING WITH WHICH WE WILL HAVE TO RECKON IN THIS AND FUTURE ASSEMBLIES.

4. UNDRO: ON THIS SUBJECT, HULINSKY STRESSED THAT HE WAS SPEAKING PERSONALLY, AS UNDRO IS ACTUALLY A CONCERN OF DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS. CHARACTERIZING HIMSELF AS A FIRM BELIEVER IN PARKINSON'S LAW HE WAS BASICALLY OPPOSED TO STAFF EXPANSION, FEELING THAT FUNDS COULD BE BETTER USED FOR ACTUAL RELIEF OPERATIONS. HE RECOGNIZED, HOWEVER, THAT PERHAPS SMALL INCREASE WOULD BE USEFUL IF IT COULD RESULT IN AVOIDANCE OF DUPLICATION AND WASTE IN FUTURE DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS.

5. BUDGET: GOC POSITION ON BUDGET WILL PROBABLY BE EVEN HARDER LINE THAN THAT OF US. HULINSKY STATED GOC OPPOSED TO ANY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS, BUT RECOGNIZED THAT SOME WOULD CERTAINLY BE APPROVED.

6. SALARY INCREASES: ALTHOUGH CZECHOSLOVAKS ON SECRETARIAT WILL NOT APPRECIATE IT, GOC WILL DEFINITELY OPPOSE ANY ATTEMPT TO INCREASE UN SALARIES.

7. U.S. EVALUATION INITIATIVE: HULINSKY'S IMMEDIATE REACTION WHEN EMBOFF OUTLINED PROPOSAL PARA. 27 REFTEL WAS THAT NO SEPARATE AUTHORITY SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO EVALUATE WORK OF SECURITY COUNCIL OR OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND THAT THIS WOULD BE VIOLATION OF CHARTER. WHEN EMBOFF EXPLAINED HIS IMPRESSION THAT OUR PROPOSAL WOULD DEAL PRIMARILY WITH EVALUATION OF PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES (E.G. UNIDO, UNESCO, UNICEF) HULINSKY AGREED THIS MIGHT BE GOOD IDEA. HE EVEN SUGGESTED THAT IF U.S. SEEKING CO-SPONSORS, USUN MIGHT WISH TO CONTACT CZECHOSLOVAK MISSION TO DISCUSS PROPOSAL.

8. DISARMAMENT: US AND CZECH VIEWS ON NPT ARE ESSENTIALLY IN AGREEMENT (SEE PRAGUE 2047). ECHOING DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VEJVODA'S COMMENTS AT CCD (GENEVA 3008 AND 4584), HULINSKY STRESSED THAT CSSR HOPED FOR MORE FORTHCOMING US ATTITUDE TOWARD WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE AND FOR CONCRETE US PROPOSALS ON CHEMICAL WEAPONS. IN LATTER CONFIDENTIAL

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CONNECTION, HE NOTED FAVORABLY US-SOVIET COMMUNIQUE. HULINSKY ALSO VOICED CONCERN AT WHAT HE CHARACTERIZED AS GROWING DISENCHANTMENT WITH CCD, AND STRESSED THAT GOC FEELS THAT FORUM MUST BE RETAINED AND REVITALIZED.

9. CZECH DELEGATION WILL CONSIST OF FOREIGN MINISTER CHNOUPEK, DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VEJVODA, ONE MEMBER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, HULINSKY, AND PAVEL KANKA, HEAD OF

DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS ORGANIZATIONS.
(FROM OTHER FONMIN SOURCES, WE UNDERSTAND CHNOUPEK PLANS
TO DEPART SEPT 23 FOR N.Y.)

10. CONVERSATION WAS CORDIAL THROUGHOUT AND HULINSKY APPEARED
APPRECIATIVE OF US EFFORTS TO CONSULT. EMBASSY FEELS
CZECHOSLOVAK DELEGATION WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO CONSULTATIONS
IN NY DURING ASSEMBLY ON ISSUES WHERE OUR INTERESTS MAY
COINCIDE.
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